

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT and COMMENTS

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 12/20/2010 has been entered.
2. Claims 4-20 and 27-29 have been cancelled. New claims 30-33 have been added. Claims 1-3, 21-25, and 30-33 are pending. Claim 26 is withdrawn.
3. The new Oath in light of the correction of inventorship, as noted in the Remarks of Applicant's representative filed 12/20/2010 is noted. Co-Inventors ZAGURY AND LE BUANNEC are recognized as the only two inventors of the claimed subject matter.
4. An Examiner's Amendment to the claims appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to Applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.
5. Authorization for this Examiner's Amendment was given in a telephone interview with Applicant's representative H. James Voeller on 11 February 2011. An interview summary is attached hereto. Authorization was given to amend the claim language by Examiner's Amendment and pass the case to issue.

In the claims:
Cancel claim 26.
6. All of the rejections of record are withdrawn in light of Applicant's Amendments and the Examiner's Amendment set forth above..
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7. Claims 1-3, 21-25, and 30-33 are allowed with the above Examiner's Amendment.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to CHERIE M. WOODWARD whose telephone number is (571)272-3329. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday 9:30am-6:00pm (EST).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jeffrey Stucker can be reached on (571) 272-0911. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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